



UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Attorney Docket No. **SUES-002**
First Inventor: **John F. Suess, Jr.**
Title: **File Binding System**

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of **John Suess, Jr.** for **File Binding System**.

Enclosed within and requested are:

- ☒ Applicant Claims Small Entity Status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ 17 Pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract.
- ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ 7 Sheets of Formal Drawings.
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard.
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) and Substitute Form PTO-1449.
- ☐ Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i).
- ☐ Applicant requests retention of USPTO Disclosure Document No. 524052 entitled "Elastic Binding Device" received by the USPTO on January 7, 2003.
- ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet and document(s)) including \$40 filing fee.
- ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (*if foreign priority is claimed*).
- ☒ The required filing fee (calculated as shown below):

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TOTAL CLAIMS	19 - 20	0	x \$9.00	\$0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3 - 3	0	x \$43.00	\$0
			<u>BASIC FEE</u>	<u>\$385</u>
			TOTAL =	\$385

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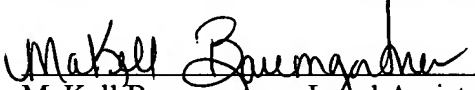
For: **File Binding System**

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